



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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DEC 12 2018

Christopher William Hisgen

Las Vegas, NV 89107-1103

RE: MUR 7415

Dear Mr. Hisgen:

The Federal Election Commission reviewed the allegations in your complaint received on June 20, 2018. On December 6, 2018, based upon the information provided in the complaint, and information provided by the respondents, the Commission decided to exercise its prosecutorial discretion to dismiss the allegations as to Tarkanian for Congress and Chrissie Hastie in her official capacity as treasurer, Danny Tarkanian, Tarkanian Basketball Academy, and JAMD LLC, and close its file in this matter. Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter on December 6, 2018. A copy of the General Counsel's Report, which more fully explains the basis for the Commission's decision, is enclosed.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003) and Statement of Policy Regarding Placing First General Counsel's Reports on the Public Record, 74 Fed. Reg. 66132 (Dec. 14, 2009).

The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. See 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(8).

Sincerely,

Lisa J. Stevenson  
Acting General Counsel

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**BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION**

**ENFORCEMENT PRIORITY SYSTEM  
DISMISSAL REPORT**

**MUR: 7415**

**Complaint Receipt Date: June 20, 2018**

**Response Date: July 26, 2018**

**EPS Rating:**

**Respondents:** Tarkanian for Congress  
and Chrissie Hastie, as  
Treasurer ("the Committee"),  
Danny Tarkanian  
Tarkanian Basketball Academy,  
and JAMD LLC<sup>1</sup>

**Alleged Statutory  
Regulatory Violations:**

**52 U.S.C. §§ 30118, 30122  
11 C.F.R. §§ 110.4(b), 114.2**

The Complaint alleges that Tarkanian Basketball Academy, through JAMD LLC and Danny Tarkanian as intermediaries, made a loan in June 2012 in the name of another to the Committee. Respondents deny the allegation. The five-year statute of limitations for the imposition of monetary civil penalties applicable to the alleged activity expired before the Complaint was filed. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 2462.

Based on its experience and expertise, the Commission has established an Enforcement Priority System using formal, pre-determined scoring criteria to allocate agency resources and assess whether particular matters warrant further administrative enforcement proceedings. These criteria include (1) the gravity of the alleged violation, taking into account both the type of activity and the amount in violation; (2) the apparent impact the alleged violation may have had on the electoral process; (3) the complexity of the legal issues raised in the matter; and (4) recent trends in potential violations and other developments in the law. This matter is rated as low priority for Commission action after application of these pre-established criteria. Given that the statute of


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<sup>1</sup> Danny Tarkanian was a 2012 candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives in Nevada's Fourth District, and is currently a 2018 candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives in Nevada's Third District. The last Statement of Organization filed on June 7, 2013, lists Chrissie Hastie as the treasurer for the Committee, however, her response indicates that she resigned as treasurer on September 13, 2010.

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